Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (previously presented) In a distributed network environment having a server computer system and a plurality of managed resources including hardware and software resources, each resource maintaining a plurality of objects, a method of representing an object maintained by a first resource comprising:

receiving a first schema document that conforms to a property sheet definition such that the first schema document defines a property sheet;

receiving two or more second schema documents that conform to a property page definition to thereby define a plurality of property pages, wherein at least one property page originates from a first resource and at least one property page originates from a second resource, wherein the first resource is a software resource, the second resource is a hardware resource, and the second resource being different from the first resource;

modifying the property sheet to include the received property pages; and

wherein the property sheet represents the object.

2.   (original) A method as defined in claim 1 wherein the property sheet comprises object-type information applicable to objects of the same type, and wherein the property pages comprise resource-specific information.

3.   (original) A method as defined in claim 1 wherein the method further comprises:

receiving a request to display information related to an instance of an object;

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accessing the property sheet related to the object-type of the instance of the object;

displaying object-type information gleaned from the property sheet;

using the property pages of the property sheet, displaying information related to resources associated with the instance of the object;

requesting the resources associated with the instance of the object to supply instance-specific information; and

displaying received instance-specific information from the associated resources.

4.   (original) A method as defined in claim 3 wherein at least one property page includes a pointer to executable code on its associated resource for resolving a request for instance specific information.

5.   (original) A method as defined in claim 4 wherein the code relates to a search engine on the associated resource.

6.   (original) A method as defined in claim 1 wherein the predetermined definitions for the property sheet and property pages are XML document type definitions.

7.   (original) A computer program product readable by a computer and encoding instructions for executing the method recited in claim 1.

8.   (original) A computer program product readable by a computer and encoding instructions for executing the method recited in claim 2.

9.   (original) A computer program product readable by a computer and encoding instructions for executing the method recited in claim 3.

10.   (original) A computer program product readable by a computer and encoding instructions for executing the method recited in claim 6.

11.   (Currently Amended) In a network environment having a computer and multiple resources, a computer program product readable by the computer and having stored thereon a computer readable data structure for managing an object associated with multiple resources, the data structure comprising:

a property sheet displayable to a user on the network environment representing the object maintained by one of the multiple resources, the property sheet conforming to a property sheet definition;

a first property page describing properties of the object associated with a software resource, the first property page generated by the software resource;

a second property page describing properties of the object associated with a hardware resource, the second property page generated by the hardware resource; and

wherein the first and second property pages are stored in association with the property sheet and the first and second property pages conform to a property page definition.

12.   (original) A computer program product as defined in claim 11 wherein the property sheet relates to object type information and wherein the property pages relate to resource-specific information.

13.   (original) A computer program product as defined in claim 12 wherein at least one property page includes a pointer to executable code on its associated resource for resolving a request for instance specific information.

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